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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Applicants believe that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required at this time. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2; and

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